IN THE CLAIMS

- A composition suitable for laser welding comprising a thermoplastic resin and a
 1:2 type metallic azo complex dye.
 - 2. A themoplastic resin composition for laser welding comprising:
- 1) at least one thermoplastic resin; and,
 - 2) a black colorant having at least one of the metal azo complex dyes of the following formulas:

The formula [I]

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Wherein R³⁹,R⁴¹,which may be the same or different, are Cl,

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$$SO_2N < R^{44}$$

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,or SO₂R⁴³, R⁴⁴, R⁴⁵, which may be the same or different, are independently hydrogen atom, liner or branched C1-C4alkyl, R⁴³is linear or branched C1-C4alkyl, R⁴⁰, R⁴², which may be the same or different, are hydrogen, liner or branched C1-C18alkyl group, liner or branched C2-C18alkenyl group,sulfonamide group,carboxyl group,mesyl group, hydroxyl group, C1-C18 alkoxy group,acethylamino group,benzoylamino group,a halogen atom or -CONH-R⁴⁶,R⁴⁶is functional group selected from unsubstituted or substituted liner or branched C1-C18alkyl or unsubstituted substituted C6-C18 aryl group, L₁ and L₂are independently O or COO, (E)⁺ are H⁺;cation of alkali metal,ammonium ion, cations of organic amine including aliphatic primary, secondary and ternary amines,quaternary ammonium ion.

, K³ is an integer,m³ is 0,1 or 2,

M¹ is a kind of metals, preferably metals having coordination numbers of from 2 to 4, more preferably trivalent metal such as Cr, Fe, Cu;

15 The formula [II]

$$R^{31}$$
 m^2 $K^2(D)^+$ R^{30} R^{30}

----[II]

wherein R³⁰ and R³¹, which may be the same of different, are Cl,

$$SO_2N < R^{33}$$

 SO_2R^{32} , or H,

 R^{33} and R^{34} , which may be the same or different, are independently hydrogen atom,

5 linear or branchedC1-C4alkyl,

R³²is linear or branched C1-C4alkyl, L₃ and L₄are independently O or COO,

(D)⁺is hydrogen ion, cation of alkali metals,ammonium ion,cations of organic amine including aliphatic primary, secondary and ternary amines,quaternary ammonium ion,

10 K² is an integer,m² is 0,1 or 2,

M² is metals of atomic numbers of from 2 to 4 such as

Zn,Sr,Cr,Al,Ti,Fe,Zr,Ni,Co,Mn,B,Si and Sn, preferably metal of atomic numbers of 3 such asCr,Co,Cu,Ni,Al.

B is represented by formula

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or

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wherein R³⁵ and R³⁷, which may be the same of different, are Cl,

$$SO_2N < R^{33}$$

, SO₂R³² , or H,

R³³ and R³⁴, which may be the same or different, are independently hydrogen atom, linear or branchedC1-C4alkyl, and R³⁶ and R³⁸, which may be the same or different, are independently hydrogen atom, linear or branched C1-C18 alkyl, carboxyl, hydroxyl,C1-C18 alkoxy, amino or halogen atoms.

3. The composition of Claim 1 wherein said 1:2 type metallic azo complex dye is selected from the group consisting of:

formula (1)

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R & -N = N & Cl \\
0 & 0 & R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
Cl & A^{\oplus} \\
N = N - R
\end{array}$$

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Wherein R is a residual group of a coupling agent, M is divalent or trivalent metal, and A is hydrogen, aliphatic amine with 4 to 18 carbon atoms, or alkylene oxide added amine;

5 or formula (2)

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- 4. The composition of Claim 2 wherein said 1:2 type metallic azo complex dye is selected from formula (2) or formula (3).
- 5. The composition of Claim 2 wherein said 1:2 type metallic azo complex dye is present in an amount of from 0.01 to 1% by weight based upon the total weight of the composition.
 - 6. The composition of Claim 1 further comprising glass fiber or glass flake.
- 7. The composition of Claim 1 wherein said thermoplastic resin is a polyamide resin.
- 8. The composition of Claim 1 wherein said thermoplastic resin is a polyamidecopolymer.
 - 9. The composition of Claim 1 wherein said thermoplastic resin is a blend of polyamide resins.
- 20 10. A shaped article of the composition of Claim 1.